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Areas of Practice

Commercial and Real Estate
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Dennis W. Chong Kee

Partner

Dennis is a partner in the Litigation Department of Cades Schutte.

His area of practice focuses on real estate and commercial litigation, arbitration, and mediation.

Dennis has served as lead counsel of record or co-counsel of record in numerous state and federal court actions involving, among other matters, regulatory, public use, takings, eminent domain, lease interpretation, quiet title, partition, class action, and complex commercial disputes.

He has extensive experience in land valuation and rent disputes and has served as lead counsel for land owners in all phases of such matters including negotiation, mediation, pre-arbitration litigation, arbitration, and post-arbitration litigation and appeals.

EXPERIENCE

REPORTED DECISIONS

Lewis v. A. Tagami, Inc.

- Slip Copy, 2013 WL 6043900
- Hawai'i App., 2013
- November 15, 2013

Lindner v. Meadow Gold Dairies, Inc.

- Slip Copy, 2007 WL 3403534
- D. Hawai'i, 2007
- November 15, 2007

City and County of Honolulu, v. Attractions Hawai'i

- 104 Hawai'i 461, 91 P.3d 1104 (Table)
- Hawai'i App., 2004
- June 21, 2004

Wong v. General Telcourier, Inc.

- 92 Hawai'i 209, 990 P.2d 107
- Hawai'i App., 1999
- November 17, 1999

Kona Enterprises, Inc. v. Estate of Bishop

- 51 F.Supp.2d 1048
- D.Hawai'i, 1998
- May 21, 1998

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Paulson, Inc. v. Bromar

- 808 F.Supp. 736
- D. Hawai'i, 1992
- December 10, 1992

REAL ESTATE LITIGATION

- Lead counsel of record in numerous retail, industrial, agricultural, and other commercial landlord-tenant disputes filed in the Circuit Courts and District Courts of the State of Hawai'i.
- Lead counsel of record in State Court actions involving quiet title and partition matters.

LAND VALUE LITIGATION

- Lead counsel of record and co-counsel of record in numerous eminent domain actions brought in the Circuit Courts of the State of Hawai'i.
- Lead counsel for numerous land owners in rent-reopenings (including land value, rate of return, and market rent disputes) that have arisen under not less than 200 different commercial, industrial, multifamily residential, and single-family residential leases.

COMMERCIAL LITIGATION

- Lead counsel and co-counsel of record in litigation, arbitration, and mediation involving a wide range of commercial and other business issues including, contract, tort, fiduciary duty, unfair competition, trade practices, and construction disputes.
- Lead counsel for internal and external investigations with experience serving as both lead fact-finder for party conducting investigation as well as counsel for persons or entities being investigated.

EDUCATION

- J.D. (1991), University of California, Hastings College of the Law, *cum laude* (Dean's Scholarship Recipient)
- B.A. Political Science and Russian Linguistics (1988), University of California, Los Angeles

ADMISSIONS

- Hawai'i State Bar (1991)
- United States District Court for the District of Hawai'i
- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

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MEMBERSHIPS

- Hawai'i State Bar Association
- American Bar Association
- Federal Bar Association
- HSBA Judicial Administration Committee (Current Committee Member)
- Joint Judiciary-Bar Professionalism Program (Past Committee Member)
- Hastings Communication & Entertainment Law Journal
- Arbitrator, First Circuit Court (Hawai'i), Court Annexed Arbitration Program
- Volunteer, 'Iolani School Career Shadow Program
- Hastings Hawai'i Scholarship Committee, Committee Member
- Alumni Mentor, Hastings College of the Law Alumni Mentor Program
- 'Iolani School Sports Booster Club
- Wai-Kahala Athletic Club - Volunteer Baseball Coach
- Kalaniana'ole Athletic Club (KAC) - Volunteer Basketball Coach
- i9 Sports - Certified Coach

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